

EC-9049. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adequacy of Nebraska Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Program" (FRL No. 8242-6) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9050. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Performance for Industrial-Commercial-Industrial Steam Generating Units" (RIN2060-AN96) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9051. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure: Reduction of Penalty for Understating Tax by Adequate Disclosure of an Item on Return" (Rev. Proc. 2006-48) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9052. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2006 Base Period T-Bill Rate" (Rev. Rul. 2006-54) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9053. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Substantiation of Expenses of Native Alaskan Whaling Captains" (Rev. Proc. 2006-50) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9054. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2007 Standard Mileage Rates" (Rev. Proc. 2006-49) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9055. A communication from the Acting Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amplification of Revenue Procedure 2005-70" (Rev. Proc. 2006-51) received on November 15, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9056. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles and defense services sold commercially under contract in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Italy; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9057. A communication from the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-9058. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Performance and Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2006; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-9059. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Fiscal Year

2006 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-9060. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the United States space launch industry (motorized mixer with a stainless steel vacuum mixing tank and fine grain bulk graphite); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-9061. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the United States space launch industry (twelve Honeywell inertial measurement units); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS, from the Select Committee on Intelligence:

Special Report entitled "Committee Activities of 108th Congress" (Rept. No. 109-360).

By Ms. SNOWE, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:

Report to accompany S. 3778, An original bill to reauthorize and improve the Small Business Act and the Small Business Act of 1958, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 109-361).

By Ms. COLLINS, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 4046. A bill to extend oversight and accountability related to United States reconstruction funds and efforts in Iraq by extending the termination date of the Office of the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Ms. COLLINS for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

*Stephen Thomas Conboy, of Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

*James H. Bilbray, of Nevada, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2015.

*Thurgood Marshall, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2011.

*Dan Gregory Blair, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2012.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

DISCHARGED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of the following nominations and the nominations were confirmed:

Jack Vaughn, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2006.

Adolfo A. Franco, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2008, to which position he was appointed during the recess of the Senate from January 6, 2005, to January 20, 2005.

Roger W. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2008, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Kay Kelley Arnold, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2010. (Reappointment).

Gary C. Bryner, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

Thomas Joseph Dodd, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

John P. Salazar, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Jack Vaughn, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012. (Reappointment).

Craig Roberts Stapleton, of Connecticut, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Monaco.

Nominee: Craig R. Stapleton

Post: Ambassador to Monaco

The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: 2,000.00, 7/17/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 25,000.00, 12/28/03, Bush/Cheney Victory 2004; 1,000.00, 2/13/04, John Graves for Congress; 1,000.00, 5/28/04, Friends of Jack Orchulli; 2,000.00, 5/28/04, Shays for Congress; 25,000.00, 6/21/04, RNC Presidential Trust; 500.00, 8/21/04, Republican Majority for Choice; 1,000.00, 9/15/04, Peter Coors for Senate; 2,000.00, 3/26/04, Simmons for Congress.

2. Spouse: Dorothy W. Stapleton, 2,000.00, 8/19/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 3/26/04, Simmons for Congress; 1,000.00, 8/13/04, Fed PAC; 1,000.00, 10/8/04, Coors for Senate.

3. Children and Spouses: Walker Stapleton, 500.00, 9/24/02, Beauprez for Congress; 2,000.00, 8/20/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 5/24/04, 500.00, 10/08/04, Coors for Senate.

4. Parents: Katharine H. Stapleton, 2,000.00, 8/20/03, Bush-Cheney '04.

5. Grandparents: No contributions.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Benjamin F. Stapleton III (Jane), 208.00, 10/13/04, Coburn for Senate; 208.00, 10/29/04, Coors for Senate; 500.00, 8/06/04, Udall for Congress; 1,000.00, 8/26/03, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 6/15/04, Bush-Cheney '04; 1,000.00, 5/28/04, Shelby for Senate; 1,000.00, 8/04/04, Coors for Senate; 2,496.00, 10/13/04, Majority Fund for America's Future Committee.

7. Sisters and Spouses: No contributions.

Ronald Spogli, of California, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of San Marino.